

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are made to insert the required SEQ ID NO identifiers associated with various listed sequences. Moreover, the Sequence Listing filed concurrently herewith not only serves to correctly format and bring in line the disclosure of the original listing as filed, but also serves to rectify codon and subsequent encoded protein errors in SEQ ID NOS: 14 and 16 of the originally filed Sequence Listing.

Namely, "Leu-Phe" at positions 18 and 19 of SEQ ID NO: 16 have been moved to their correct position after the residue "Thr" at amino acid number 2 of the sequence (i.e., they become new residues 3-4, with all subsequent residues being renumbered accordingly). Furthermore, "ctt ttt" at positions 136-141 of SEQ ID NO: 14 (the DNA sequence encoding SEQ ID NO: 16) have been moved to their correct positions after the codon "acc" at bases 88-90 of the sequence (i.e., they become new bases 91-96, with all subsequent residues being renumbered accordingly).

Support for the corrections to SEQ ID NOS 14 & 16, respectively, may be found in the sequence as disclosed in Figure 6A, as well as SEQ ID NO: 1 of the as filed listing wherein "Leu-Phe" are disclosed in the correct position. In addition, the correct placement of the "ctt ttt" codons would be obvious to one of skill in the art based upon the correct rat protein disclosed in Figure 6A and SEQ ID NO: 1 as filed.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date August 28, 2006

By 

FOLEY & LARDNER LLP
Customer Number: 22428
Telephone: (202) 672-5569
Facsimile: (202) 672-5399

Stephen B. Maebius
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No. 35,264